

Christmas Browder Pleas Pour In to F.D.R.

Thousands Send Wires; New Unions Join in Call for Release

The holiday season has given additional stimulus to hundreds of thousands of people in their determination to see justice and fair play a living reality. The holiday wires and mails are calling upon the President of the United States to immediately take executive action in the Browder case and release the incarcerated anti-fascist from Atlanta penitentiary now.

The Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder, 1133 Broadway, is being informed by thousands of individuals and organizations who have not heretofore taken action on the Browder case that they are wiring and writing to President Roosevelt pleading for the freedom of Browder during the holiday season.

The Midwest Council No. 12 of the International Woodworkers of America with a membership of 7,500 has informed Tom Mooney, chairman of the Citizens' Committee, from their Minnesota office, that they have passed a resolution in the name of American justice, fair play and national unity to ask President Roosevelt for the immediate freedom of Browder.

L. V. SHOREMEN ACT

The International Longshoremen's and Warehousemen's Union, Los Angeles, Local No. 28 with a membership of over 4,800 has written to President Roosevelt that at a regular membership meeting of the organization the entire Browder case was discussed and it was voted to ask for immediate clemency for the jailed leader. The entire trade union movement, said the Los Angeles longshoremen in their letter to the President, has mobilized in the great national effort to defeat fascism, and that Earl Browder's freedom at this time would be a great contribution to the defeat of Japanese aggression and Hitlerism.

Mr. David V. Robinson, teaching at Fisk University, wrote to the Chief Executive that "these are difficult times for all of us, and we have need of anyone who will raise his voice against the ruthless attacks of our enemies. There can be little doubt of Mr. Browder's anti-fascist sympathies. . . His release at this time would be another step toward achieving the complete national unity so necessary in this struggle."

AFL BAKERS WIRE FDR.

AFL Bakery and Confectionery Workers International Union, New York Local No. 1, wired to the President that "our last membership meeting went on record to request that you exercise your power of executive clemency to free Earl Browder from Atlanta prison. Mr. Browder has already served nine months in jail, and paid a \$2,000 fine for a mere technical passport violation. Mr. Browder is a known anti-Nazi and now at Christmas time, a great wrong should be eliminated." The three AFL officials signed to the wire were M. Haber, Secretary; Frank Duto, Business Representative and Rudolph Koehler, Organizer.

Twenty-one youth representatives throughout the country appealed by wire to President Roosevelt that "in the maintenance and extension of democracy and civil rights, we urge you through your good offices to release Earl Browder. . . American youth are determined to defend our country against all enemies of our democracy. We are devoted to the democratic traditions of our country and to its spirit of freedom, justice and fair play. . . We do not subscribe to the political philosophy of the Communist Party but we are convinced that the penalty Mr. Browder must pay for a small tech-

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'Lost' British Regiment Slashes Japanese Lines

SINGAPORE, Dec. 26 (UPI)—Dispatches disclosed today that a British "lost" regiment, fighting as a roving column behind Japanese lines, had slashed through the enemy and rejoined their comrades on the northern Malayan Front.

Two-thirds of the unit, advised said, safely reached the British positions.

By-passed by Japanese forces advancing down the Malayan west coast in Kedah Province, the regiment found itself in the midst of the enemy army—its communications cut off and "on its own."

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CONGRESS CHEERS CHURCHILL'S CALL FOR TOTAL AXIS SMASHUP

Kaluga Recapture Near As Soviets Smash On

Nazi Wounded Back—Crowds Flay Hitler

Thousands of Casualties Pour Into Axis Nations; Berlin Has Disorders

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)
ISTANBUL, Dec. 26.—Thousands of wounded and frost-bitten German soldiers are pouring into Rumania and Bulgaria, with 23,000 arriving in the last two weeks, reports reaching here reveal.

Travellers reaching this Turkish city also declare that serious disorders broke out in Berlin several days ago on the arrival of hospital train filled with seriously wounded German soldiers from the Eastern Front. All the wounded were natives of Berlin and its suburbs.

A huge crowd gathered before the railroad station and the police were powerless to disperse the people. When the wounded were unloaded

Red Army Retakes Naro-Fominsk, Gains at Orel

MOSCOW, Saturday, Dec. 27 (UPI)—Prime Minister Winston Churchill declared today that Great Britain and the United States will be able in 1942 to launch an "ample scale" offensive and ultimately "beat the life out of the savage" Axis powers.

Britain's No. 1 war leader—in the Capital to plot Allied grand strategy with President Roosevelt—addressed a thunderously cheering, informal joint session of Congress. He spoke extemporaneously for half and hour in the heavily guarded Senate chamber from which microphones carried his words throughout the world.

The scope and power of the Red Army advance was reflected by a special broadcast reporting that 10,220 Germans were killed on the Central Front alone between Sunday and Christmas Day.

KILL TYPHOID VICTIMS

Another in a series of remarkable announcements said that about 300 German soldiers suffering from typhoid fever had been taken from the Soviet Union to Warsaw and "put to death by order of German military authorities."

Kaluga evidently was doomed as the forces of Gen. Ivan Boldin crossed the frozen Oka River and took an important town on the west bank. A dispatch to Ivestia, the government newspaper, said that after consolidation of the Soviet positions at recaptured Alekseen and Tarusa, the Red Army resumed the pursuit of the Germans and smashed the rear of the 13th Army Corps.

The surprised German commanding General was said to have fled, abandoning his tunic and sword in a peasant hut.

APPROACH OREL

At the same time Gen. Grigori Khukov was pressing a two-pronged drive by stationing trucks at busy corners, embazoned with the slogan "CAN Happen Here—But YOU Can't Stop It."

While total figures of civilians who volunteered had not yet been compiled yesterday, Chief McCarthy said reports from the city's precincts indicated enrollment had been heavy.

"The campaign for a civilian fire auxiliary corps thus far," Chief McCarthy said, "has been very good. By Nov. 6, 25,000 civilians had finished the first course conducted by the Department, and since than 19,500 more have enrolled for the course."

FUNERAL FOR VOLUNTEER

Meanwhile, the Fire Department will indicate the seriousness with which it views the task of building a well-trained civilian auxiliary corps when it gives a funeral this morning for a young civilian volunteer who, along with his mother, was burned to death when their home caught fire early last Tuesday morning.

Chief McCarthy said the Fire Department will accord the same honors to the youthful victim, Edward Hoyt, 17, as is given to high-ranking officials of the Fire Department during the burial ceremonies this morning.

Young Hoyt joined as an auxiliary fireman at Engine Co. 296, whose home is located two blocks from his home at 22-18 126th St., College Point, on Dec. 9. He died last Tuesday while attempting to rescue his mother, Mrs. Henrietta Hoyt, 40, when he discovered the blaze.

When the youth joined the auxiliary fire corps, he told the officers in charge that he figured that was the best way to serve his country until he reached military age, chief McCarthy said.

A full turnout by high-ranking officials will take place at the funeral which will be held today at St. Fidelis Church, at College Point. Hoyt will be buried at St. Mary's at Flushing. Services will be conducted at St. Fidelis Church at 10:30 this morning.

(By Wireless to Inter-Continent News)
MOSCOW, Dec. 26 (UPI)—Hitler's dismissal of his commander-in-chief, Field Marshal Walther von Brauchitsch, reflects a profound crisis in the German High Command and, more important, the recognition of the Nazi military failure on the Eastern Front, Pravda declared in a leading editorial today.

"In place of von Brauchitsch, Hitler has appointed Hitler," says Pravda, "about whose military abilities the well-known General von List, in whose regiment the Fuehrer once served as a lance corporal, said he would never allow Adolf Hitler to become even a subordinate."

"Von Brauchitsch is an old member of the German Army whose Nazi press lauded as the chief organizer of Hitler's army and its chief tactician and strategist. He was made a Knight of the Iron

Cross for distinguished services in the blitzkrieg against Poland and decorated with the golden insignia of the Nazi Party for "success operations" in Czechoslovakia.

"Von Brauchitsch was the author of the plan of the campaign against France although the official fascist press attributed it to Hitler. Von Brauchitsch supervised the execution of this plan and Hitler awarded him more decorations and promoted him to field marshal.

"But now von Brauchitsch has been dismissed. The German Commander-in-Chief has been recalled at the very height of the war on the Soviet-German front."

The Pravda article then quotes

passages from the memorandum submitted by Brauchitsch to the eve of the European war warning Hitler against plunging into the eastern campaign.

"Our aim can never be achieved by the campaign in the east where defeat awaits you and where you

will have to contend with the Russian vast expanses and her substantial military and material resources," wrote Brauchitsch in this document.

"Brauchitsch is paying with his career for Hitler's bloodthirsty adventurism and the German people are paying with millions of lives."

Commenting on Hitler's arguments explaining the dismissal, Pravda points out that these, too, signify failure. The Soviet army, which has been so many times "annihilated" by Hitler, has turned out to be his most dangerous adversary.

Hitler tries to explain the change from maneuvers to a war of position (such is the fascist name for the retreat which in places is actually a disorderly rout) by the sudden setting in of winter. This is very stupid, but what is more important it is not convincing.

Hitler is trying to keep up appearances in a bad game. But the appearances are bad and the game is lost.

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Von Brauchitsch Ouster Bares Nazi Army Conflict, War Failures --- Pravda

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Chinese Capture Spies Disguised as Monks

CHUNGKING, Dec. 26 (UPI)—

The Chinese Central News Agency said today it had received reports that Japanese spies disguised as Buddhist monks were captured recently in the vicinity of Kunming and other parts of Yunnan Province.

The spies were endeavoring to obtain information about the number and location of pilots and planes in the American volunteer service, the report said.

British Take Heavy Toll Of Invader In Malaya

Philippine Capital Made 'Open City' to Protect Civil Population

Allied Fronts

PHILIPPINES—American and Japanese tanks lock in furious battle 75 miles southeast of Manila as city is declared "open," with military and civilian government offices withdrawn.

SOVIET UNION—Red Army recaptures important city of Narva-Fominsk 30 miles south of Moscow; reports 10,220 Nazis killed between Dec. 22 and 25 on crucial front.

MALAYA—Japanese pour waves of storm troops onto British lines 300 miles north of Singapore; British report their lines holding.

AFRICA—13,000 Axis prisoners taken; Libyan road continues.

CHINA—American, British, Dutch and Chinese governments create unified Far Eastern Command.

MANILA, P. I., Dec. 26 (UPI)—American and Japanese tanks clashed in violent and bloody battle 75 miles southeast of here and Japanese artillery massed in the northwest, today as Manila was declared "open" and government and military departments evacuated under an aerial bombardment.

The evacuation was no retreat. An Army spokesman said it was ordered in hopes of saving the civilian population from further air attacks and that the situation on the front had "improved." United States Commissioner Francis E. Sayre said in his evacuation message that "we will fight to the last man."

TANK BATTLE RAGES

The "open" communiqué issued from Army headquarters here at 3 P.M., just before evacuation, said "pressure is increasing on the Southeastern Front" where, it said, both sides were suffering heavy casualties in a terrific tank fight.

Although the Lingayen front, some 100 miles northwest of here, was comparatively quiet, it was announced that Japanese artillery was being concentrated, air activity was "brisk," and there was little doubt that a fierce Japanese assault at the Pampanga Valley roadway to Manila was impending.

The Philippine capital was declared "open" at noon, under the rules of warfare by which all military objectives are removed and the civilians are spared further bombings, but the city was under air raid alarm at the time and there were four more alarms in the afternoon—a total of six for the day.

A check-up of the waterfront tonight showed that the day-long raids had resulted in the sinking of a government-owned dredger; slight damage to the prov. of the cutter Banashaw; that the cutter Apo had been the target of nine bombs, all of which missed, and that two wings of the famed P-47, largest covered pier in the world, had been slightly damaged. Casualties were small, including two unidentified American soldiers.

An American mining engineer, B. A. Kerns, who arrived from Baguio with a party of Balatso Gold Mining Co. miners, said a Japanese patrol was sighted near Baguio, the Philippine summer capital 130 miles north of here, on Wednesday, and that they had probably reached that city by now. Baguio is the most Americanized city in the Philippines, a popular summer resort. Kerns said most Americans had left there for Manila but he understood that from 30 to 50 American women were still there.

A Washington communiqué reporting on Far Eastern operations said Manila was declared an open city under Hague Convention (IV) of 1907 Annex, Article 25, and that "our forces have complied with the stipulations of that convention." It repeated reports made by Admiral Thomas C. Hart, U. S. Far Eastern Fleet Commander at Manila on Wednesday, that U. S. submarines had sunk a Japanese transport and a mine sweeper and probably had sunk another transport and a submarine tender.

DEFENSES REORGANIZED

(A War Department communiqué issued in Washington said Gen. Douglas MacArthur, Philippine troop commander, reported that he has "reorganized and strengthened the positions held by our troops in the general vicinity of Lingayen Gulf—the northern front commanding a broad avenue to Manila."

Repeated enemy assaults in this

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Program to Rehabilitate Moscow Area Begun

Communist Party Parley
Shows Recovery of Liberated Regions

By Wireless to Inter-Continent News
MOSCOW, Dec. 26.—The Moscow regional committee of the Communist Party of the Soviet Union has taken steps to speed the economic recovery of districts recently liberated from Nazi invaders.

At a plenary session held here on Dec. 20 members also adopted resolutions outlining help for railway workers in re-establishing damaged tracks and bridges in the recently occupied districts. It was declared to be the duty of Communists to assist the work of restoration in every way.

The Secretary of the Moscow Committee and Moscow City Committee CPSU, Scherbakov, reported on how Stalin's instructions given in his report Nov. 6 and in the speech on Red Square Nov. 7 are being carried out.

The plenum outlined measures for extending production of arms and ammunition and other types of production needed for the front.

Taking into account the special conditions of spring sowing in 1942, connected with the emergency situation, the plenum demanded that all Party and Soviet organs immediately start work in preparing for the spring sowing.

The plenum passed measures for restoring economy in the districts of the region liberated from the German occupiers. These measures include the restoration of industrial enterprises, municipal economy, collective and state farms, housebuilding and also helping the population of the towns and villages who have been stripped of their belongings by the fascist marauders.

MAKE DONETZ SAFE,
COMMUNIST PARTY URGES

By Wireless to Inter-Continent News
MOSCOW, Dec. 26.—The main task of Communists of the Donets region is to see to it that the vital industrial region is made safe against any new Nazi onslaught, Dvinsky, secretary of the Rostov regional committee of the Communist Party, declared here in a report to a Party plenary session after the liberation of Rostov.

He dwelt in detail on the tasks facing the Party and the Soviet organizations.

"The enemy is not yet completely crushed and might yet collect its forces for a new onslaught. Rostov must be encircled by a belt of strong fortifications, and similar strongly fortified positions are to be built around every town throughout the frontal zone. This is the immediate task which the working people of the region must solve."

In Rostov alone the fascist cutthroats burned and destroyed more than 100 buildings. The inhabited points in a number of districts were reduced to debris and charred ruins.

"Much work will be needed to repair the damage, which is also a task of the immediate future."

The secretaries of the City and District Party committee told how normal life had been restored in the frontal zone.

FARMS RESUME WORK

The collective farms and machine tractor stations resumed work. The agricultural implements, scattered through the steppes, have been collected and tractor repairs have begun.

The local industrial enterprises in Novocherkassk, Kamenk and other towns in the Rostov region are increasing their output.

The plenum discussed preparations for and approved the plan for spring sowing for the collective farms of the region.

The coming spring will present many difficulties. Little autumn plowing has been done and much agricultural machinery and many draft animals were evacuated from the region.

The plenum paid serious attention to the restoration of all branches of agriculture in the districts liberated from the fascist invaders and noted with satisfaction that after the liberation of Rostov and other districts, the working people enthusiastically began repairing the damage.

In five to six days the power stations, water mains, street car service and other municipal services had been restored in Rostov.

Explosives Found On Japanese Ship At Brazilian Port

RIO DE JANEIRO, Dec. 26 (UP).—Police investigating Japanese activities near Santos, important state of São Paulo coffee port, have discovered a large quantity of explosives aboard a Japanese fishing vessel, a reliable source said today.

The vessel was reported to have said he used the explosives in his trade.

Santos is a port of call for United States merchant and passenger vessels.

'Lost' Americans Return, Tell of Japanese Torture

Enemy Stripped Soldiers Naked, Forced Them to Run and Then Fired at Them

Editor's Note:

The following dispatch was filed in Manila today by Franz Weisblatt, United Press staff correspondent, who returned from the Lingayen front with three wounded soldiers, one of whom needed an emergency operation. Weisblatt went back to the front immediately in a delivery truck donated by Sam Gaches, a Manila merchant, which is to be used as an ambulance by the 26th Cavalry Regiment.—United Press.

WITH THE U.S.A.F.F.E. SOMEWHERE ON THE NORTH LUZON FRONT, Dec. 26 (UP).—Four American soldiers who had been listed as "missing in action" returned to their base today almost naked and reported that the Japanese had captured them, stolen their clothes, ordered them to run and then had fired at them.

They said they fell to the ground, pretending to have been shot, then crawled to safety.

They belonged to machine gun crews of the battle-scarred 26th Cavalry, armed forces of the Far East, and were captured at Binanlon, 15 miles from the Lingayen Gulf in the province of Pangasinan.

THROUGH JUNGLES

Creeping through shrubbery where the Japanese quit shooting, they made a two-day trek through wild jungle country back to the regiment.

One of the men, a sergeant, said he was naked when the Japanese "released" him. He picked up a shawl along the countryside. It was all he wore when he strode into camp today.

Six other members of the same regiment also returned with the other four. They had been isolated from the regiment during recent fighting, and met the others on the way in.

All were jubilantly welcomed. Their comrades managed to rustle up four chickens to provide a suitable home-coming.

EVACUES from the town of Tuguegarao, in the northern province of Cagayan, told me that "forced labor, rape and execution is the Japanese order of the day there." I had no way of confirming the story the evacuees told me.

NAZI "TUTORS"
I was told that German instructors, who were in Japan for several years, "taught their pupils all tricks for terrorizing civilians."

The Japanese propaganda and Gestapo sections, the evacuees said, are divided into six columns. Upon occupying a town, the Japanese first send in three columns responsible for getting the "proper propaganda" to the people.

The next two columns confiscate all useable food supplies and equipment. The sixth column is known as the "Gestapo," which, the evacuees said, "actually used the old German cruelty method of lining up recalcitrant civilians against the wall and mowing them down in order to intimidate the rest of the townspersons."

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WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (UP).—President Roosevelt assured Prime Minister John Curtin of Australia today that the democratic allies considered the safety of Australia essential in the war against Japan.

The President's message, made public by the State Department, was occasioned by the opening of direct radio telegraphic communications between the United States and Australia. Mr. Roosevelt said that his guest, Prime Minister Winston Churchill of Great Britain, joined him in sending greetings to Australia.

"In my opinion, this new link will serve not only to facilitate the more rapid exchange of communications between the United States and Australia but to serve notice on the Axis powers that the free people of the world are leaving nothing undone effectively to guarantee through spiritual and physical utilization ultimate victory which lies ahead of us . . ." Mr. Roosevelt said.

Curtin replied that Australia recognizes the necessity for applying efficient, scientific methods in linking our two countries for common defense in the Pacific, also for trade and intercourse and for mutual understanding."

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Canadian Tanks for Red Army:

Canadian-built tanks on the flat cars leave the Angus shops in Montreal on the first lap of the long journey to the Russian front. The tanks weigh 20 tons each and have a top speed of 20 miles an hour.

British-Made Tanks Aid Soviet Offensive

Hard Hitting 'Valentines' Play Havoc with Nazi Tanks on Battle Front

(By British Press Service)

LONDON, Dec. 26.—The large number of British-made "Valentine" and "Waltzing Matilda" tanks participating in the Soviet push proved an unhappy surprise to the Germans, according to a report from official sources in Moscow.

The Germans, evidently had not believed that the promise made to Stalin by Lord Beaverbrook and W. Averell Harriman, chairman of the American Mission to Moscow, could be so quickly fulfilled.

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REFUGEE SIGHTS

MANILA, Dec. 26 (UP).—Refugees from Tuguegarao in Cagayan Province reported today that Japanese invaders are spreading terror among the civilian Philippines population.

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The Russians added that they found the "Valentine" the most reliable tank simply constructed and capable of repair with a minimum of equipment.

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Boston Rally Asks Browder's Release

Washington Negro Leaders Also Join Nationally Growing Plea to FDR

(Special to the Daily Worker)
BOSTON, Dec. 26.—Eight hundred Boston citizens, at a mass meeting here last Sunday, added their voices to the thousands of others who have petitioned President Roosevelt to extend executive clemency to Earl Browder.

The mass meeting which was held in Jordan Hall, had a real New England Town Hall character, with speakers representing a cross-section of the population in this city.

Among the speakers were Rev. F. Hastings Smyth, who stated that as long as Earl Browder remained in prison, he as a churchman feels uneasy because of possible persecution of religious beliefs. John S. R. Bourne, prominent Negro attorney and chairman of the New England Congress for Equal Opportunities especially stressed the fact that Negroes as a minority group should be among the first to protest any injustice, any political persecution.

Mr. Sidney Grant, noted labor attorney, briefly outlined the legal aspects of the case, and showed how the severe sentence meted out to Earl Browder could be nothing else but political persecution, because the technical violation was so slight.

Both AFL and CIO labor unions were represented by Arthur Constant of the Window Cleaners Union and the veteran Irish labor leader Michael C. Flaherty of the United Glass Workers, CIO. In addition, several telegrams from local trade unions arrived at the meeting pledging cooperation in the fight to free Earl Browder.

The audience received with enthusiasm the main speakers of the meeting, Josephine Truslow Adams and Angelo Herndon, both representing the National Citizen's Committee to Free Earl Browder. All speakers urged the audience to write individual letters to President Roosevelt immediately, requesting that Earl Browder be freed on Christmas. A telegram to that effect was heartily and unanimously endorsed by the meeting, when read to the audience by the chairman, John S. Codman, member of the Massachusetts Citizen's Committee.

WILL ARBITRATE

At the same time, the original grievance involving 15 men in the shear crew will be submitted to arbitration—the first time arbitration has been used in Carnegie-Illinois plants in the Pittsburgh district.

The Clairton plant grievances, also settled through joint negotiations, were particularly concerned with the number of relief men. The settlement provides for 35 additional men during summer months and 15 during the winter period. At the same time a new bonus schedule which will provide increases of approximately \$300,000 for the 1,800 workers at the Clairton Coke plant was adopted.

Settlement of these grievances is being hailed in steel union circles here especially since there has been some dissatisfaction among steel workers at the reputed slowness of the grievance system set up in the U. S. Steel contract.

General Sees No Need For Coast Evacuations

SAN FRANCISCO, Dec. 26 (UPI)—Lieut. Gen. John L. De Witt, chief of the Western Defense Command, today said there is little likelihood that civilians will be evacuated from Pacific Coast cities in the near future.

"Evacuation should not be undertaken except under conditions where frequent or continuous bombing can be expected and the military situation on the Pacific Coast at present does not justify such a contingency," De Witt said.

Court Upholds Sentence Of Italian Crews Here

RICHMOND, Va., Dec. 26 (UPI)—The U. S. Circuit Court of Appeals today affirmed convictions and sentences of 41 officers and crew members of three Italian vessels allegedly sabotaged last spring in harbors at Baltimore, Md., and Wilmington, N. C.



Torpedoed, Ship Makes Port: The United States freighter Abaro, 5,608 tons, limps into port, victim of a Japanese torpedo attack off the Japanese coast. The lumber-laden ship threw off some cargo when hit and made port with her decks awash.

Army to Quit Bendix Plant, CIO Pact Near

Production Peak Is Expected With New Union Agreement

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BENDIX, N. J., Dec. 26.—Tonight's meeting of the United Automobile Workers local at the plant of Air Associates, Inc., to ratify an agreement was all that was left in a series of developments that will free the Army of responsibility in operation of the plant.

The contract, negotiated peacefully in accordance with a National Labor Relations Board election result last summer, is receiving the support of the overwhelming majority of the workers of the plant. The friction inspired by the removed plant management has disappeared. A step-up in production on a \$3,000,000 order for plane parts is expected to set a new high mark.

The agreement providing a form of preferential union shop sets a minimum scale of 75 cents an hour for men, 50 cents for women. The present scale for women is 40 cents. A ten cents an hour wage increase and payment of \$75 in back pay to each worker is also provided.

CIO GAINS

The CIO union which won by a small margin last summer, is rapidly gaining the rest of the employees to its rolls.

The contract was negotiated by Charles Kerrigan, regional director of the UAW's aircraft division, and Frederick G. Coburn, the new president of the company.

The plant received national attention when its former president, F. Leroy Hill, sought to show that he could defy the NLRB, and several other government agencies that attempted to bring a settlement of his dispute with the union. Several strikes were caused by his repeated defiance. The climax was reached when an organization he inspired openly incited violence against CIO members in the plant. Next morning more than 2,000 troops occupied the final destruction of Nazi tyranny."

Heading the list were George Goodman, executive secretary of the Washington Urban League; the Rev. William H. Jernigan, president of the Baptist National Convention; Oliver Palmer, president of the United Cafeteria Employees, largest CIO union in the District; and Dr. William Stewart Nelson, Dean of the School of Religion of Howard University.

Among the other signers were these prominent Negro leaders: James Harris, business agent of the Cafeteria Employees; Kermit Woodward, president of the Shoe Workers; Henry Thomas, secretary of the Paving Workers; Dr. Howard Thurman, Dean of Howard University; Dr. E. Franklin Frazier, head of the Department of Sociology of Howard; Doxey Wukerson, Professor of Education, Howard University; Dr. Charles W. Wesley, head of the Department of History at Howard; the Rev. R. W. Brooks, Lincoln Congregation; Calvin Cousins, president, Laundry Workers; the Rev. A. B. Fisher, Israel Baptist Church; Miss M. Brice, and Barrington Dunbar, Southeast Settlement House; James Murphy and James W. Hayes, Columbia Lodge 85, Elks.

AFL Leaders Attend Funeral of Mrs. Lyons

Scores of AFL officials throughout the city and State yesterday attended the funeral of Mrs. Delta Wise Lyons, aged mother of Thomas Lyons, president of the State Federation of Labor.

The labor leader's mother was buried from her home at 574 Ave. B, Brooklyn. High Requiem Mass was held at the Holy Name Church in Brooklyn.

New Maryland CIO Head Vows All-Out War Aid

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BALTIMORE, Dec. 26.—Pledges of the state and national CIO conventions of everything for defense were reiterated here this week by George A. Meyers, newly-elected president of the Maryland and District of Columbia Industrial Union Council.

Meyers replaced John T. Jones, president for the past four years. He did not run for re-election.

"Labor," said Meyers, "expects to take all practical steps to carry out its declared policy of aid in our battle to defeat Hitler by cooperating with all groups."

"In basic defense industries organized in the CIO," he said, "the unions are ready and willing to cooperate with the management of those industries, and with the government, to assure maximum and uninterrupted production. CIO unions in all of Maryland and the District of Columbia are also developing a program to assist defense agencies in the sale of defense bonds and stamps."

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The CIO union which won by a small margin last summer, is rapidly gaining the rest of the employees to its rolls.

The contract was negotiated by Charles Kerrigan, regional director of the UAW's aircraft division, and Frederick G. Coburn, the new president of the company.

The plant received national attention when its former president, F. Leroy Hill, sought to show that he could defy the NLRB, and several other government agencies that attempted to bring a settlement of his dispute with the union. Several strikes were caused by his repeated defiance. The climax was reached when an organization he inspired openly incited violence against CIO members in the plant. Next morning more than 2,000 troops occupied the final destruction of Nazi tyranny."

Heading the list were George Goodman, executive secretary of the Washington Urban League; the Rev. William H. Jernigan, president of the Baptist National Convention; Oliver Palmer, president of the United Cafeteria Employees, largest CIO union in the District; and Dr. William Stewart Nelson, Dean of the School of Religion of Howard University.

Among the other signers were these prominent Negro leaders: James Harris, business agent of the Cafeteria Employees; Kermit Woodward, president of the Shoe Workers; Henry Thomas, secretary of the Paving Workers; Dr. Howard Thurman, Dean of Howard University; Dr. E. Franklin Frazier, head of the Department of Sociology of Howard; Doxey Wukerson, Professor of Education, Howard University; Dr. Charles W. Wesley, head of the Department of History at Howard; the Rev. R. W. Brooks, Lincoln Congregation; Calvin Cousins, president, Laundry Workers; the Rev. A. B. Fisher, Israel Baptist Church; Miss M. Brice, and Barrington Dunbar, Southeast Settlement House; James Murphy and James W. Hayes, Columbia Lodge 85, Elks.

AFL Leaders Attend Funeral of Mrs. Lyons

Scores of AFL officials throughout the city and State yesterday attended the funeral of Mrs. Delta Wise Lyons, aged mother of Thomas Lyons, president of the State Federation of Labor.

The labor leader's mother was buried from her home at 574 Ave. B, Brooklyn. High Requiem Mass was held at the Holy Name Church in Brooklyn.

Midwest Public Officials Receive Loyalty Pledges from Communists

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MILWAUKEE, Wis., Dec. 26.—The office of Governor Julius P. Heil of Wisconsin in reply to a message of fullest support from the Communist Party declared its pleasure at the stand of the Party.

The telegram sent by the Communists on Dec. 21 said that "all Communists in Wisconsin will place themselves, in the spirit of national unity, unstintingly at the disposal of the state and local governments in carrying through every measure which will help win victory."

The reply, addressed to Frank P. Blair, Communist state chairman, was signed by Maurice Coakley, secretary to the governor.

GOVERNER'S REPLY

The reply follows:

"Your telegram of Dec. 21 addressed to Governor Heil pledging the loyalty of the Communist Party to the defense of the United States has been received.

"The Governor will be very well pleased to receive this telegram

from you and it will be brought to his attention at the first opportunity."

SEATTLE MAYOR THANKS COMMUNISTS

(Special to the Daily Worker)

SEATTLE, Dec. 26.—Mayor Earl Millikin thanked the Communist Party for its offer last week of maximum aid in the civilian defense program.

"The volunteer bureau of the Seattle Municipal Defense Commission is located in the Rialto Building at Second and Madison Sts., and I have an idea that assignments for defense work will come from that bureau."

The Mayor's letter was addressed to Andrew Remes, executive secretary of the Communist Party of the Northwest.

MINNESOTA COMMUNISTS PLEDGES 'EVERY ENERGY'

(Special to the Daily Worker)

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 26.—The District Committee of the Com-

munist Party here in an enlarged session here this week pledged "its every energy . . . to the defense of our nation" in a wire to Governor Harold Stassen.

"We pledge you," the telegram said, "as the head of our state in these days of deepest national crisis, that every Communist will assume all those additional obligations which the further prosecution of the war will require of all of us."

You, as well as the President, may count on our loyal support in fulfilling participation in every measure necessary for victory. We join in the effort for national unity which will transcend all lines of class, race, creed our party character."

The wire cited contributions of earlier Communists in previous crises in our nation's history, especially during the Civil War. Many Communists, the wire said, have already joined the nation's armed forces and others are active in civilian defense.

The main report to the conference was delivered by Carl Winter, state secretary. Winter urged the widest participation in civilian defense and production efforts. He urged a maximum offensive against all appeaser influences.

ILLINOIS C. P. WIRES SUPPORT

(Special to the Daily Worker)

CHICAGO, Dec. 26.—The State Committee of the Communist Party of Illinois meeting here this week wired its full support to Governor Dwight Green in the war emergency.

"We Communists," the wire said, "like all other Americans, have no separate or partisan interests in this great struggle."

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Give Us a Trial!

Minor Heads Lenin Rally January 5 At Garden

Gil Green, Amherst Among Leading Communists To Talk at Meeting

Israel Amherst, veteran chairman of the New York State Communist Party, will be one of the main speakers at the Lenin Memorial Meeting in Madison Square Garden, Jan. 5, along with Robert Minor, acting Communist Party general secretary; Peter V. Cachione, Communist city councilman-elect, and other leading figures of the state and national Communist Party organizations.

"Everything to Win the War" is the main slogan of the meeting which will commemorate the 18th anniversary of the death of V. I. Lenin.

Other speakers will include Gil Green, New York State secretary of the state and national CIO committees, who will serve as chairman and make the keynote address; Elizabeth Gurley Flynn, National Committee member and executive secretary of the Citizens' Committee to Free Earl Browder; Benjamin Davis, Jr., outstanding Negro journalist and member of

the editorial board of the Daily Worker, and Michael Saunders, acting executive secretary of the Young Communist League.

Amherst became nationally prominent in the early thirties as leader of the pioneer struggles for unemployed relief. He was a leader and organizer of the historic March 8, 1930, unemployed demonstrations in which 150,000 people participated. Since Amherst became active as a leader of the Communist Party in New York, he has been the candidate of the Party for governor, mayor and City Council.

Moerdechai Baumol, baritone, and the American People's Chorus will be featured in Songs for Victory.

The meeting will begin at 7 P.M. promptly.

Ask Firm Pay Wage Raise in Defense Bonds

Fifty-odd workers of the Empire Switchboard Co., 814 Fourth Ave., Brooklyn, received a substantial wage increase yesterday and immediately accepted the suggestion of their union shop steward, Jacob Popenske to ask the employer, Normal Finley to pay them the raise in defense bonds.

The action was taken at a meeting of the workers who are members of Local 3, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers AFL. The employer will lay aside the amount of raise each week and accumulate it for the bonds.



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- SHOSTAKOVITCH SYMPHONY #1 (M472) Rudzincky & Cleveland Orch.
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Congress Hails Churchill's Call for All-Out Victory

Full Destruction of Axis Is Aim of All Allies, He Says

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ary of War Henry L. Stimson said the discussions were progressing satisfactorily.

Churchill frequently interspersed his remarks with mention of the council and its purposes, blasting the while each member of the Rome-Berlin-Tokio Axis.

Japan along with her Axis partners, will be taught a lesson she will never forget for her "outrages" on Anglo-American possessions in the Far East, he said, adding that it is difficult to reconcile the Japanese action with "prudence or even with sanity."

Benito Mussolini, he declared now is nothing but "lackey and a servant, the merest utensil of his master's will."

In Libya "for the first time we have made the Hun feel the sharp edge of those tools with which he has enslaved Europe," he said.

"What Hitler is suffering in Libya is only a sample and a foretaste of what we have got to give him and his accomplices wherever this war may lead us in every quarter of the globe."

He promised that never again will the democracies be caught napping.

"Do we not owe it to ourselves, to our children, to tormented mankind to make sure that these catastrophes (two world wars) do not engulf us a third time?" he asked.

He radiated confidence in the outcome of the war and said Britain has made "very great progress" toward total war efficiency.

"Now that the United States is at war, it is possible for orders to be given every day which in a year or 18 months hence will produce results in war power beyond anything that has been seen or foreseen in the dictator states," he said.

SEES '43 INITIATIVE

"I think it would be reasonable to hope that the end of 1942 will see us quite definitely in a better position than we are now. And that the year 1943 will enable us to assume the initiative on an ample scale."

A huge crowd had massed in front of the capitol when Churchill arrived, preceded and followed by automobiles filled with secret service men. Armed sentries stood on roofs of adjacent office buildings.

Admission to the Senate was by special card only.

There was no disturbance. The crowd was orderly.

After finishing his speech, Churchill expressed a desire to see the crowd at close range. He walked across the street until he was within a few feet of the spectators.

When they cheered him, he grinned and right hand formed the famed "V" for victory.

FAITH IN PEOPLE

Churchill began his speech by recalling that his mother was an American. Had his father been an American, he said, "I might have got here (in Congress) on my own."

He reaffirmed his faith in government of the people, by the people and for the people.

"In my country, as in this, public men are proud to be the servants of the state, and would be ashamed to be its master," he said.

He declared he had found in the United States an Olympian fortitude "which far from being based upon complacency is only the mask of inflexible purpose and the proof of well-grounded confidence in the final outcome."

Japan, Germany and Italy have all declared and are making war upon you, and a quarrel has been begun which can only end in their overthrow or yours," he said.

Defeat of the Axis, he added, will not be easy. "We have, without doubt, a time of tribulation before us. In this same time, some ground will be lost which it will be hard and costly to regain. Many disappointments and unpleasant surprises await us."

"Many of them will affect us before the full marshalling of our latent and total power can be accomplished."

For the last 20 years, he said the youth of Britain and America have been taught that war was evil. During the same period, he added, the youth of Germany, Italy and Japan have been taught that aggressive war is the noblest duty of the citizen.

"Naturally, this places us in Britain and now places you in the United States at a disadvantage which only time, courage and untiring exertion can correct," he continued.

TIME AIDS ALLIES

The democracies can be thankful, he said, "that so much time has been granted to us."

"If Germany had tried to invade the British Isles after the French collapse in June, 1940, and if Japan had decided war on the British Empire and the United States at the same date, no one can say what disaster and agonies might not have been our lot."

"But now, at the end of December, 1941, our transformation from easy-going peace to total war efficiency has made very great progress."

He denied that Britain and the United States had erred in disposition of their limited military re-



Churchill's Sign on the Axis: Winston Churchill, Prime Minister of England, is shown making the V for Victory sign as he left the Senate chamber after his historic address to the joint session of the Senate and the House in Washington. Behind Churchill is Alben W. Barkley, of Kentucky, majority leader of the Senate. —Photograph

Free French Say Isles Gave Aid to Enemy

Firm on Seizures Of Canada; Hull to See Mackenzie King

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"I am so glad to be able to place before you members of the Senate and the House at this moment, when you are entering the war, the proof that with proper weapons and proper organization we are able to beat the life out of the savage Nazis."

"The best tidings of all are that the United States, at never before, has drawn the sword for freedom and cast away the seaboard. All these tremendous facts have led the subjugated peoples of Europe to lift their heads again in hope."

He termed an "irrational act" Japan's attacks on Anglo-American bastions in the Pacific.

JAPAN'S INSANITY

"When we look at the resources of the United States and the British Empire, compared to those of Japan," he said "when we remember those of China which have so long and valiantly withstood invasion and tyranny, and when we observe the Russian menace which hangs over Japan, it becomes still more difficult to reconcile Japanese action with prudence or even with sanity."

He said that had the United States and Britain taken common measures for their safety after the last war, "this renewal of the Chinese front never have fallen upon us."

It would have been easy five or six years ago, he said, without the shedding of a drop of blood, for the United States and Britain to have forced Germany to respect the disarmament clauses of treaties signed after the world war.

"And that also would have been the opportunity for assuring to the Germans those materials, those raw materials, which we declared in the Atlantic Charter should not be denied to any nation—victor or vanquished," he continued.

"The chance has gone—it is gone. prodigious hammer strokes have been needed to bring us together today."

"If you will allow me to use other language, I will say that he must indeed be a blind soul who cannot see that some great purpose and design is being worked out here below of which we have the honor to be the faithful servant."

"It is not given to us to peer into the mysteries of the future. Here I avow my hope and faith, sure and inviolate, that in the days to come the British and the American peoples, each for their own safety and for the good of all, will walk together in majesty, in justice and in peace."

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Christmas Browder Pleas Pour In to F.D.R.

Thousands Send Wires; New Unions Join in Call for Release

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ntial violation of the passport law has been more than paid by his nine months imprisonment. In the spirit of Christmas, we hope you will release Earl Browder from prison by Executive action."

The signers of the Youth wire to the President were: Consula Arna, Pres. Modern Misses, TWCA; Richard Davis, Negro poet; Florence Di Cov, President, Rogers Park Open Forum; Charles McCord, Chairman, American Youth Congress; Josephine Cammarata, Marcantonio Italian Youth Club; Willa Brown, Aviation Instructor; Wendell Phillips High School; Harmon Bro. Divinity Student, University of Chicago; Joseph Denov; James Elias, Greek Youth Club; Betty Farrow, President, Student Rights Council, University of Chicago; Margaret Goos, Chairman, South Side Civilian Defense Youth Committee; Henry Hayden, Stewart, United Automobile Workers of America, No. 453; John Holmgren, President, Social Service Administration Club, University of Chicago; Henry Jatsak, President, John Morton Club of Midwest Youth; Helen Kaso, Board member of Association of Lithuanian Workers; Herbert March, Vice-President, Armour Local, Packinghouse Workers Organizing Committee; George Nelson, Midwest Youth Director, International Workers Order; Pari Fau, Social Service Administration Club, University of Chicago; Al Rubio, Midwest Secretary, American Student Union; T. Pope, and Joseph Stool, Midwest Youth Director, Association of Lithuanian Workers.

sources before this country entered the war.

"If the United States has been

found at a disadvantage at various points in the Pacific Ocean, we know well that is to no small extent because of the aid which you have been giving in munitions for defense of the British Isles and for the Libyan campaign," he said.

Not all the tidings of war will be evil, he continued.

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The first announcement of the number of civilians on the tiny Pacific outpost was made in a Navy communiqué which termed "incorrect" Japanese claims that 3,000 American sailors and Marines defended Wake against repeated attacks by sea and air.

The Navy reiterated that the total strength of the defending garrison was less than 400 officers and men of the Marine Corps, adding:

"There were approximately 1,000 civilians engaged in construction work on the island, which may account for the enemy statement that 1,400 prisoners were captured."

The Navy also stated that the Imperial Japanese forces had been received from Washington and Canada and added:

"Our attitude is that the people of St. Pierre asked us to liberate them from the Vichy dictatorship, and we did so. As Frenchmen we see no reason to alter the situation."

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Civilian Defense: The Home Front Is Readied

Springfield C.I.O., A.F.L. Plan Joint War Production Operations in Defense Plants

Training Program Pushed to Help War Efforts

(Special to the Daily Worker)
SPRINGFIELD, Mass., Dec. 26.—Switching of membership from CIO to A. F. of L or vice-versa was proposed and accepted last night by the Joint A. F. of L-CIO committee here which met in CIO Hall to discuss cooperation between unions and management to increase defense production and prevent unemployment in nondefense industries.

An extensive program covering labor-management relations in industries in Western Massachusetts has been drawn up by the committee. Included in the program are provisions for shifting non-defense workers to defense plants where more skilled labor is needed. In such a process, crossing AFL-CIO jurisdictional lines will be necessary and transfer of membership in such cases has been sanctioned by the committee which consists of six CIO and six A. F. of L representatives.

The program has already been ratified by the 12 locals represented on the committee and ratification by all CIO and A. F. of L unions will be urged in the January meetings of the Western Massachusetts CIO Council and the A. F. of L Central Labor Union.

DEFENSE TRAINING

The Committee has also considered training of non-defense workers for use in industries where there is a shortage of trained workers. The committee took up the case of the Fisk Rubber workers in Chicago where more than 1,000 have been thrown out of work by the OPM ban on pleasure car tire production. The committee stated that those workers should be given preference in training courses in trade schools. After being trained as machinists and other needed skilled trades such unemployed men would be placed in shorthanded defense plants by the committee in cooperation with the management. It will make no difference from what union the man comes, said a spokesman for the committee and it will make no difference to what union he goes.

It was agreed that should a worker transfer union membership he would relinquish his seniority in his adopted union but if he should ever reenter his original union he will retain his former seniority rights.

Fur Local Gives Mayor \$2,000 For Red Cross

Pietro Lutchi, general secretary-treasurer of International Fur and Leather Workers, CIO, and Dan Corradi, business agent of the union's Local 3, Brooklyn, yesterday presented to Mayor La Guardia a check of \$2,000 for the Red Cross.

The Mayor immediately turned the check over to Frank Sinnott of the Brooklyn Chapter of the Red Cross.

The contribution was the first of a series now being made by affiliates of the Fur and Leather union, in accordance with the appeal issued last week by the union's general executive board.

The union is also planning wholesale presentation of thousands of pints of blood for the Red Cross blood bank.

Shell Workers Pledge F.D.R. 'No Bottleneck'

(Special to the Daily Worker)
BOSTON, Dec. 26.—A letter in the form of Christmas greetings and a pledge to achieve a high production level of defense materials was sent to President Roosevelt yesterday from the workers and management of the A. S. Campbell Co. here.

The letter was written in conjunction with a meeting called by the management and Local 272, United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers. Among those who addressed the meeting were M. Matson, union organizer, R. Padock, superintendent of the company's shell division, and representatives of the shop committee in the plant.

Pledging "loyalty without stint or reservation," the letter to the President went on to state:

"Most of us are in the process of transfer from the non-defense work of the company to defense work. It will be defense work of a vital character. We pledge to you that while this emergency lasts we shall strive to reach the highest possible production level; we are



Show How to Protect Your Home:

Members of the American Women's Volunteer Service advise the city housewives on air-raid precautions. At left: Mrs. E. A. Wetzel (in uniform) shows how to blackout a window with a thick quilt.



Every Member a Victory Fighter--IWO Active in Every Phase of War

Navy to Rush Medical Aid If City Is Raided

Cooperation Worked Out with Civil Agencies for Quick Delivery

Rear Admiral Adolphus Andrews, Commandant of the Third Naval District, has worked out plans in coordination with civilian defense agencies for prompt distribution of medical supplies to required points in the city in event of an air raid, it was announced at the office of Mayor LaGuardia yesterday.

According to an order issued by the commanding officer of the medical supply depot of the Brooklyn Navy Yard, all drivers of Navy medical trucks have been instructed to "obey the orders of air raid wardens or other proper officials while making routine deliveries of medical supplies during the course of an air raid or an air raid drill in the New York metropolitan area."

The Navy medical vehicles, according to the order, will carry on the lower right-hand corner of their windshields placards bearing the notation: "Surgical Supplies, U. S. Navy, Rush."

U. S. Diplomats Leave Sofia for Istanbul

ZURICH, Dec. 26 (UP).—The Italian Stefani agency reported to day from Sofia that United States Minister George H. Earle, and other North American diplomats left Thursday for Istanbul, accompanied by their families.

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You may count on us Mr. President, to take our place in the ranks of all Americans in the all-out fight to eliminate Hitlerism from the world. We are confident that the job will be done."

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Mobilizes 155,000 Members; 600 Join Army; Foreign Groups Participate

By Louise Mitchell

Long before bombs fell in Pearl Harbor, the 155,000 members of the International Workers Order were campaigning against fascism. America's entry into the war simply knit all activities together for victory over the enemy.

Today the progressive fraternalists in 1,800 lodges throughout the country are working in production, in civilian defense and in war relief with one goal in mind. Already the IWO counts 600 brothers in the armed forces; one, Jerome Stalmach, son of Ukrainian immigrants, died in the line of duty on the Reuben James.

John Middleton, national IWO director for Civilian Defense, this week stressed the important community work that members are performing.

PERFORM IMPORTANT SERVICE

"We feel that since ours is a fraternal and neighborhood organization, we can perform a great patriotic service to our country through civilian work."

High morale, unity and cooperation of all people are needed in total war, Middleton asserted.

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War Dep't Requests Cooperation With Air Raid System

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (UPI).—

"False rumors to alarm the people are a recognized form of Fifth Column activity," the War Department said today in issuing detailed instructions regarding air raid precaution measures.

Don't make requests for information about reports of pending air raids to interceptor command headquarters or agencies in the interceptor command, the department said.

All agencies of the interceptor command must be left free, in event of actual war attack, to take necessary steps to repel the attack, it was explained.

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Answering the question, "Is this a white man's war?" Robeson quoted from a speech made by Frederick Douglass, Negro leader, during the Civil War.

"There are weak and cowardly men in all nations. We have them amongst us. They tell you this is the 'white man's war'; the War Department's instructions said, 'Serious consequences have already resulted.'

"All military echelons will transmit promptly military information to proper military command authorities, being careful to give the source of their information, but will not divulge it to the public. Reports of hostile forces or movement will be given to civil authorities charged with public defense only by direction of commanding generals of corps areas or departments, of defense commands, of each air force or by higher authority."

War Dep't Asks Honor Award For Flight Leader

WASHINGTON, Dec. 26 (UPI).—The War Department recommended to President Roosevelt today that the distinguished flying cross be awarded to Col. Eugene L. Eubank of the Army Air Corps for leading a mass flight of heavy bombers from San Francisco to the Philippines.

The flight of four-engined bombers started Oct. 17 and was completed at Fort Stotsenburg, Philippines Islands, Nov. 19. Ms. Emmett O'Donnell, Jr., and the 74 officers and men of his command were awarded Distinguished Flying Crosses for making the same flight a month before Eubank and his command.

Connelly received an ovation because the audience remembered the stand against "token hiring" of Negroes he took at the recent hearings here of the President's Fair Employment Practices Committee.

Discussing the CIO's readiness to aid in breaking down Jim-Crowism in defense industries, Connelly asserted that "in order for the fight against Hitler to be successful, it is essential that we use all available manpower."

Robeson said his ideal was a world community of working people and he derided those who contend the Negro people should be led by a "talented tenth."

He contrasted his experience in Nazi Germany in 1934, when he was menaced by Hitler's storm troopers, with the reception he received

Ask Park Be Named for Birmingham's Negro Hero

(Special to the Daily Worker)

BIRMINGHAM, Dec. 26.—A 20-year-old Negro youth, Julius Ellsberry, is Birmingham's first reported casualty in the naval war of the Pacific. In his honor the Birmingham Age-Herald, morning paper here, has suggested editorially that the new Negro park in the city, first of its kind, be named the Julius Ellsberry Park.

Ellsberry quit his job as a drug store delivery boy in 1939 to enlist in the Navy. He was a mess attendant first class at the time of his death.

The Southern Negro Youth Congress in a letter to the Age-Herald Dec. 19 expressed its appreciation to the newspaper and is urging the Birmingham Park and Recreation Board to name the park "in honor of this first Birmingham patriot to give his life for his country in this war."

Fate of Negroes Rests On Victory--Robeson

By Jack Young
(Special to the Daily Worker)

LOS ANGELES, Dec. 26.—For 1,000 Negroes gathered at a "Defend America Rally" here, Paul Robeson, great singer, graphically explained why his people should wholeheartedly enter the all-out war effort against the Axis powers.

In the Soviet Union. In the Soviet Union, he found a complete absence of racial discrimination in any form, said Robeson, which inspired him to send his son there for an education.

"Now that my son has had that experience in the Soviet Union," said Robeson, "he can live anywhere without feeling the insults because he will know that they grow from ignorance."

Time and again, Robeson stressed the necessity of a full-fledged alliance between the United States, Great Britain, Soviet Union and China to smash Hitler.

"The war cannot be won without the cooperation of the Soviet Union," he declared.

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A Special Holiday Responsibility

In its brief statement yesterday, the Citizens Committee to Free Earl Browder again restated its campaign on the broad ground which entitles it to the support of every patriotic American.

Said the Committee, in commenting on the request of 1,700,000 citizens for Browder's release:

The overwhelming majority of these patriotic Americans asked for clemency not because they agreed with Mr. Browder politically, but because the excessive sentence should not be permitted to mar our national record."

Upon a wholly technical charge, Browder was sentenced to four years, a sentence of unprecedented severity. He has served nine months, which is already a longer term than is usually imposed for such a technicality. The fight for Browder's freedom has gone beyond differences of color, creed, political belief or class. People from all categories of the population have urged the President to extend clemency to Browder. There is not an American worthy of the name who does not treasure justice, especially now, and who does not seek every means to strengthen national unity against the common foe.

We believe that fair-minded citizens will not let the Christmas season pass without complying with this eloquent, constructive appeal of the Citizens Committee:

"We now appeal to all freedom-loving Americans, to all who are concerned with the preservation of our American way of life against fascist aggression to wire today President Roosevelt asking for the immediate release of Earl Browder from prison."

The Battle Of The Philippines

The fight for the defense of the Philippines is reaching new intensity. It is an important battle in the defense of the United States.

For a long time, appeasers and covert sympathizers of the Axis have been insinuating that the defense of the Philippines is not part of the defense of this country. The treacherous attack by the Japanese section of the Axis has exposed their falsehood for what it is—help to the country's invaders.

The Japanese militarists hope, by their plan to conquer the Philippines, not only to submit the Philippine people to the relentless lash of Nazi enslavement, but also to use these islands as a step toward Australia and as a means of completing a ring of encirclement around China. In all of these objectives, their ultimate goal is to strangle the ability of the United States to defend itself.

But they have been thwarted in their plan for a lightning-swift conquest. The heroic resistance of the Philippine and United States forces has kept the islands still in American hands. The Axis has already received a setback in the failure to grab the Philippines at one swoop.

Whatever the outcome of this great battle, it has shown the brutal reality of the danger facing the mainland, and how necessary it will be for us to stretch every sinew to smash back the invader.

'The Daily' in The Shops

It is good to learn that the work so well begun by the Daily Worker Shop Conference is being carried forward in an organized manner. The Monday meeting of the Committee of Twenty, elected by the conference, has given a renewed stimulus to the pushing of the circulation of the Daily and Sunday Worker in the shops.

The program of action adopted by the committee, and particularly its decision to function regularly and systematically, reflect an interest that is bound to produce happy results.

The initiative and devotion shown by the committee members is an added tribute to the labor character of the Daily and Sunday Worker. These newspapers have won a real place in the hearts of the workers.

The Daily and Sunday Worker have aided labor greatly during the present period, in taking the lead in promoting the battle for production. With that there have gone their advocacy of a spread in the allocations for defense contracts to smaller shops and their forwarding of labor-employer cooperation in the war emergency.

Such services to the workers and their unions fully justify a speedier tempo in winning readers for the Daily and Sunday Worker, particularly in the work places of Greater New York. We are pleased to see that the Committee of Twenty fully realizes this, and that it is setting about its work so seriously and efficient.

Fighting Air Raid Fires

Firemen are displaying their equipment at prominent street corners this week to recruit citizens for civilian defense fire-fighting services. This is a splendid idea. It helps to dramatize the work and need.

A London speaker, talking to New York over trans-Atlantic radio, told us recently that lack of fire fighters cost many lives and heavy loss of property in the early days of the air raids. Sufficient preliminary preparation could have saved lives, he said. He also praised the thorough fire-fighting preparations which had been made in Moscow. When the raids came there, the people knew how to handle incendiary bombs and quenched the blazes as soon as the Nazis started them.

We hope that the Fire Dep't exhibits will bring the recruits which the city's safety demands. We are sure that the people will respond in large and enthusiastic numbers. After all, it is only by such community cooperative efforts that we can reduce the dangers that menace us all equally. The civilian defense work is making headway in the neighborhoods. Here is one of the most important duties in every neighborhood and street. Do your share.

Catholic Bishops And the War

Out of the war, the loyalty and devotion of the Catholic masses to our country and its national interests has surged up anew. In the trade unions and elsewhere, these masses have joined hands with their non-Catholic fellows in pressing forward full prosecution of the war.

Much of this spirit of the Catholic people has received reflection in the Christmas letter of the Bishops to President Roosevelt as Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces and as head of the nation. The pledge of the Bishops to fulfillment of "our responsibilities in the hour of the nation's testing" is an aid to that national unity which is essential for the wiping out of Hitlerism.

It is to be expected that the Bishops will follow up this pledge—in order to make it a fully living thing—with a condemnation of those fifth columnists who have sought to hide under the cloak of Catholicism. The fascist Charles E. Coughlin, making use of his position as a Catholic priest and of the Shrine of the Little Flower to preach defeatism and sedition, is particularly in mind. There are also the Christian Fronters, inspired by Coughlin, who are still active in their seditious schemes for the injury of this nation and the benefit of Hitlerism.

Were the Catholic Bishops, in supplementing their pledge to the President, to denounce these political agents of the Axis, it would be distinct service to victory over the nation's sworn enemies.

A Serious Business... To Be Met Seriously

Still another union has presented a helpful plan to the government and the employing interests for stepping up war production. From the heart of America's agricultural region, the Farm Equipment Organizing Committee (CIO) has brought forward a 12-point program for tripling output of agricultural implements and kindred machinery.

The industry involved is a key industry, in more senses of the term than one. It has a big share in the turning out of war material; it has also the responsibility of keeping a flow of farm implements moving to the countryside, to make certain of victory in the battle for food.

We hope that more immediate and serious consideration will be given by government officials and the heads of big concerns to this plan than has been manifested in most other labor proposals along the same line. The trade unions, in industry after industry, have taken the initiative in making detailed suggestions for pushing forward war production. They have been met, to too large a degree, with "business as usual" attitudes on the part of corporation leaders and a deaf ear so far as certain government officials are concerned.

Had there been more alertness in governmental and business circles to the Reuther plan for the automobile industry, for instance, there would have been a much greater flow of tanks and airplanes to the battle fronts. There would also have been much less of the "transitional unemployment" which we see cropping up in the auto centers.

This is a serious business, and has to be dealt with seriously. Labor's position in all of its production plans is so sound and so decidedly for the benefit of the nation that we hope Labor will dramatize its "battle for production" ideas before the whole people. We also suggest that the government immediately proceed to carry these plans into effect.

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Straightening Out HIS Lines



How 3 Soviet Textile Workers Outwitted Hitler--A Production Story of Warm Socks

By John Gibbons

(By Wireless to the Daily Worker)

MOSCOW, Dec. 25.—The Nogin factory, one of Moscow's largest textile mills has outwardly even today after the defeat of the Germans in the vicinity of Moscow, very much the appearance of a fortress. Streets leading to the factory are in several places crossed by barbed-wire and anti-tank obstacles.

There is a barbwire right in front of the main entrance. In the middle of the factory yard rises a wooden tower in which, during air alarms is an air defense post.

But covered as it is with fighting armament the factory is nevertheless working at full capacity. Day by day the lorries leave the mill laden with manufactured goods for the front for Red Army units.

STORY OF WARM SOCKS

In days of war the factory produces warm socks for our Red Army men of which it has already turned out many hundreds of thousands of pairs. The warm Noginsk socks find great favor with our fighters. They have become famous not only owing to their superior quality but also an account of an event that is connected with their production. It is this event that I am going to tell you about.

The history of the socks manufactured by the Nogin mill dates back to January 1940. At that time the Red Army was fighting against Finland. It had to be supplied with warm underwear. The order for the Red Army was placed with the Nogin factory, an order for many thousands of pairs of warm socks.

The factory had been producing other assortments of knitted goods and was not prepared for putting out socks.

Fifty special handling and fifty knitting machines had to be acquired. The equipment was written out for Germany to be sent on condition of prompt delivery to the U. S. S. R.

NAZIS SABOTAGE SHIPMENTS

Fifty machines of the first kind arrived from Germany in a few days. They were good machines made by Batia, a Czechoslovak firm now controlled by the Germans. But they stood idle in the warehouse because the Germans delayed sending the second lot of knitting machines, giving all kinds of excuses for their slowness. First they demanded that payment be made in gold, but no sooner had the Soviets given their consent than the Germans insisted on the order being paid for in foreign currency. When that demand had been satisfied they wanted food stuffs in exchange for their goods.

Months passed. The Germans

were sabotaging the execution of the principal part of the order.

Their designs were clear, to cheat

the Soviet Union by fulfilling only

one half of the order, just that

half which was no use whatever

without the other parts.

It is quite possible that the Nazi

head of some German economic

body has now received expression

of thanks for having deceived the

Soviet Union, dragging on with the

order right up to the beginning of

the war.

It is just in war time that such

machinery is most needed. The

Nogin factory received a big order

for warm socks as long ago as

August for the Red Army showed

real care for its fighters, unlike

Hitler, who was dreaming of a

victorious ending to the Russian cam-

paign by September

men to give the Germans a good hiding and drive them over the Russian plains.

SUCCESS...

"We embraced one another with joy. We embraced the director of our factory when we showed him our new products, the first pair of warm socks." After that everything went smoothly. A factory meeting of workers was held and the workers cheered their comrades with enthusiasm, congratulating them on their invention.

Comrade Gilyin, the director, invited the chief engineer and two other members of the personnel to his study to talk things over. They were Comrade Baranov, a millworker of 16 years standing and Comrade Privintsev, a foreman. Acquainting them with the difficulty of the position, the director said that there was only one way to cope with the assignment: they would have to improve their own old knitting machines, adjusting them to new products.

ONE WEEK FOR JOB

That task would have to be performed quickly in the course of one week. Comrade Baranov, a bearer of the Order of the Red Banner, related that they had promised the director to fulfill the new task but they had no idea how to set about it.

"What we did know however, was that it depended on us to overcome the effects of Nazi deception. We knew that it depended on us to enable the factory to give our Red Army men the necessary warm things," says Baranov.

"Going into the machine shop of one of the departments we set to work there and then. We never left that shop for two days and nights. My wife used to bring me my meals but with all that tense work I had lost my appetite. Two days later we had made some technical alterations in the old knitting machines. The first trials of our invention gave very poor results. You cannot even imagine," Comrade Baranov continued, "how unhappy that made us."

"We went home to get a little sleep. Six hours later we were back in our workshop once more and again we worked for two days and two nights on end.

"At last the hour struck for the great experiment. The machine

perfected by us actually knitted

good warm socks, just the kind

we shall send in all our accounts

for them to settle."

The whole Soviet Union

you can see the same thing taking

place, as what occurred at our factory.

The workers, our Soviet people,

will frustrate Hitler's vile plans.

It is not so easily done, of course.

It takes any amount of labour, and

of blood. But we shall give it to

the Hitler bandit devils and

we shall send in all our accounts

for them to settle."

NAZI TRICK FAILED

So this Nazi trick, aimed at putting a spoke in the Russian wheel

had come, too, to nothing. Three Moscow textile workers had outwitted the German executives, who received all for nothing the thanks of the German powers that be for their artful deception.

"The same holds true with regard

to the whole Soviet Union," said

Comrade Baranov, taking leave of us. "Hitler meant to deceive us. He concluded a Non-aggression pact and then perfidiously attacked us. It is true, that he has caused us heavy losses, but notwithstanding he has lost his stake in the end. Throughout the whole Soviet Union

you can see the same thing taking

place, as what occurred at our factory.

The workers, our Soviet people,

will frustrate Hitler's vile plans.

It is not so easily done, of course.

I am writing this especially in view of the fact

that now and then a distorted short piece is published

in the controlled press of high ranking officials of the Soviet Union.

Letters From Our Readers

New Life

Editor, Daily Worker:

Now's the time for the Tom Paine of 1941. We need pamphlets to raise the cultural morale of our armed forces, to wake Americans up to the traditions of our country in this struggle for its very existence.

Hitler's challenge to every American today gives new life to Patrick Henry's, "Give me liberty or give me death."

CHANGE THE WORLD



**W. C. Handy's Greeting Poem;
Notes on William Hautau
And Abe Lincoln Brigade**

By MIKE GOLD

GREETINGS

There wasn't much to livin'
Workin' down there on the levee,
The days were hot, the hours long,
My load was mighty heavy.

But something kept me happy,
Twas the music in my soul,
It encouraged me and told me
I could reach a higher goal.

So, from my beloved Southland,
I hit a Northern trail.
Sometimes I run the river,
Sometimes I rode the rail.

I've penned my tale of ups and downs
In the "Father of the Blues"
And I've found a lot of happiness
In your comments and reviews.

For My Greeting I'm returning
All my happiness this way,
I hope you feel tomorrow
Just like I feel today.

WILLIAM C. HANDY.

CHRISTMAS 1941

When in the coming days your heart's a-weight
With all the woe and wilful waste of war:
When man is cultivating only hate,
And every moment kills or wounds a score:
Remember then that martyred man of yore
Whose birth we still are proud to celebrate.
Think of the follies he with patience bore,
And the millennia he has had to wait.

All that he promised can become our fate—
Peace and good will, abundance and much more;
Our techniques now can readily consummate
The way of life he agitated for.
This is the vital essence of this war,
And the unborn will call our struggle great.

MARIAN and HENRY HART.

These are two greeting poems that arrived in the mail, among other cards and greetings for the new and fateful year.

Benevolence and good-will shine out from the verses of the "Father of the Blues," W. C. Handy. His book, which revealed the same spirit, will be studied by unborn generations as one of the authentic documents of our time.

It is a shrewd and simple account, without self-pity, of the brutal oppression a folk-genius of American music had to endure because of his race.

W. C. Handy came through by a miracle and managed to achieve expression. But who can tell how much other Negro genius had been destroyed by the barbarians who make war on the Negro in America?

This new year will find us all making war on the Nazi philosophy of race hatred and oppression. All these German, Italian and Japanese "Aryans" are doomed to defeat.

Let us also, this year, keep up the fight on the Americans who persecute Negroes. It is part of the world war, surely, for freedom and democracy.

Thanks to all who sent cards of greetings. Happy New Year to all! Marie Oberlander sent a children's picture book for Nicky. It was printed in Barcelona during the war against the fascists—the Spanish people did not forget their kids even in the midst of such a desperate battle, which makes the little book doubly precious.

The column on William Hautau that recently appeared in this space brought \$85 in contributions, reports the Joint Committee to Defend WPA Workers, 28 West 31st St. "Workers visited our offices and gave handfuls of dimes and dollar bills; one woman came in to contribute a diamond ring from her finger."

For the New Year, let us not abandon the William Hautau, Irving Potash and other prisoners and victims of predatory capitalism.

Above all, we must free Earl Browder. All such action helps American unity and is part of a successful war on world fascism.

Here is a note to the Abraham Lincoln Brigade and others who labored and fought for Spanish democracy.

On January 5 and 6, there will be a conference held by the Church League for Industrial Democracy and the Methodist Federation. Speakers include Dr. Harry F. Ward, Bishop McConnell, Mary Van Kleek and Bishop Charles Gilbert who, by the way, wrote the President last week in behalf of Earl Browder.

In conclusion with this conference, my informant says that a memorial service for Bishop Paddock, who gave his life and most of his personal fortune to the Spanish Loyalist cause—will be held in the Chapel of the Episcopal Church, 281 Fourth Ave., at 9:30 A.M.

Put it on your agenda as one of the first meetings of the new year—a united front meeting of all who fought for Spain and are now carrying on the fight for America, Russia, England and the world against fascism.

Victorious New Year to you all!

Shostakovich 5th Symphony, Rodzinski, WABC, at 5 p.m.

Lily Pons sings "Lakme" at 2 P.M. WJZ . . . Rodzinski conducts Shostakovich 5th Symphony on WABC, 5 P.M. . . Colston E. Warne, CU president, speaks on "The Consumer Looks at Advertising" WABC, 5 P.M. . . Daily Worker Newcast, WHOM, 11 P.M.

8:15-WKAF—Market Basket
8:30-WABC—Garden Talk—Juveniles
8:30-WON—Rainbow House—Program
8:30-WABC—Music of the Free—Arden's Orch.
11:00-WMCA—News: Children's Parade
WABC—Nightly Drama
WABC—Sports News
WABC—Memories of a Conscript
11:30-WABC—Saturday Vaudville—Jim WZ—Ask Young America—Children's Forum
WABC—Music of the Free—WZ—Farmers' Show
11:45-WNYC—You and Music—Talk
12:00-WMCA—News: Magic Carpet
WABC—News
WABC—Guests of Today—Jo Ann Bayers, Guest
WNYC—Midday Concert
WABC—Lunchroom Concert
WZ—Ask Young America—Latin-American Music
WZ—Farmers' Show
WABC—Radio News
1:15-WHAF—Music for Everyone
1:30-WABC—Adventures in Science—Talk
2:00-WHAF—String Ensemble—Opera—"Lamke"
WABC—Benny Goodman's Orch.
WABC—Press News: Of Men and Books
WABC—News: Symphonies Matinee
WQXR—They Too, Like Music
2:15-WOR—North vs. South—Football
2:30-WHAF—Finance Month
3:00-WHAF—Debt and Your Dollars—Interview and Dramatization
WABC—Country Journal
3:15-WABC—Music of the Free—Well You Listen
WABC—F.O.B. Detroit
4:00-WHAF—Mines of Meadowbrook—Lionel O'Brien
WNYC—Negro Melody Singers
WABC—Symphonies Matinee
4:30-WHAF—Weekend Whimsy
4:30-WHAF—Civilian Defense Information

WJZ—Glenn Miller
WOR—From England: Eagle Squadrons Greetings
WABC—Chevrolet Orch.—Rodzinski, conducting
8:30-WOR—Aviation Aspects—Naval Training Station Program
6:00-WZ—News: Muggy Spain's Orch.
WABC—Calling Pan America—From Barranquilla, Colombia
6:30-WABC—News
4:45-WABC—Today
7:30-WABC—News: Platzerbrains—Quiz
WABC—People's Platform—Quiz
WZ—Ralph Ingolsby, Guest
7:30-WABC—Lilith of Hollywood—Interview
WABC—American Music Festival—Alexander Smallens, Deems Taylor
7:45-WMCA—News: Communicator
8:00-WMCA—Music for Dancing
WABC—Story of a Jazz Band
8:15-WABC—Music of the Free—WZ—Guest
WQXR—Symphony Hall—Mozart
8:30-WHAF—Truth or Consequences
WABC—Guests of Today—Lionel O'Brien
8:45-WOR—Red Barber—Sports
9:00-WHAF—National Barn Dance
WZ—Ask Young America—Dramatization
WOR—Gettysburg Address—Dramatization
WABC—Guests of Today—WZ—Guest
9:45-WABC—Music of the Boroughs
10:00-WHAF—Sports News Reel
10:15-WHAF—Medical Students and Interns Council—Talk
WABC—Guests of Today—Lionel O'Brien
WABC—Consumer Looks at Advertising—Talk by Consumers United
10:30-WABC—Sports News
10:45-WABC—Songs
10:45-WABC—News
11:00-WHAF—(440)—Daily Worker
WABC—Basketball Game at Madison Square Garden
11:15-WHAF—Music You Want
WOR—News from Manila

Films Teach Safety for The Citizen'

Two film programs, "Safety for the Citizen" are being shown alternately at 3 P.M. daily except Sundays, in the Museum of Modern Art auditorium, and they will continue through the period of their usefulness to the public.

Each program, forty-five minutes in length, is composed of six short films made in England to show citizens what to do and what not to do in the modern warfare which has turned the great cities of the world into battlefields and frontline trenches. These programs are being shown in addition to the Museum's regular four o'clock film programs.

Two of the films on the "Safety for the Citizen" programs have just arrived from England and are having their first public showing at the Museum. These are "Citizen Army" and "Shunter Black's Night Off." Others such as "Ack Ack," "Mr. Frontfoot Shows a Light," "Stop That Fire," and "Goofy Trouble" have never been shown at the Museum. Four of the films, "Neighbors Under Fire," "War and Order," "A Job To Be Done," and "Musical Poster No. 1" were shown as part of the Museum's "Britain at War" exhibition in the spring and summer of 1941.

H. M. Pulham, Esq., a MOM production. Screenplay by King Vidor and Elizabeth Hill from novel by J. P. Marquand. Directed by King Vidor. At the Music Hall.

Must Be Funny



Rita Hayworth and Orson Welles seem to enjoy the script of "These Are Frenchmen and Frenchmen," to be produced Monday, Dec. 29th, over the Columbia network (WABC) on the Orson Welles program at 10 P.M. Miss Hayworth will co-star with Welles in the play.

Pulham Has Little Choice But Vidor Makes Best of It

H. M. Pulham, Esq., a MOM production. Screenplay by King Vidor and Elizabeth Hill from novel by J. P. Marquand. Directed by King Vidor. At the Music Hall.

By Milton Metzler

"H. M. Pulham, Esq." is one of those oddities that pops up once in a great while. It's the story of a very dull fellow that isn't the least bit dull in the telling. For that you have to thank Mr. Pulham's creator, J. P. Marquand, who put into his novel about this Back Bay bore all that he knew about the Boston Brahmins from having been brought up among them himself. And give thanks equally to the superbly skillful screenplay and direction by King Vidor.

Mr. Pulham has grooved nicely into a middle-aged banker's snug routine when the imminence of his 25th class reunion at Harvard stirs him to a little introspection. All these dates and titles and offices listed after a man's name in his class biography begin to slip from his firm anchorage in his life's pattern and he relives each important period, seeing it now with the mind of the grown and settled man.

Tickets have been sent to the USO for distribution to soldiers, sailors and marines on holiday furlough and they have been promised a full evening of dancing and entertainment.

Music will be provided by two top-rank bands. The first is Don Redman who has been an NBC and CBS headliner for many years. His orchestra will be supplemented by Don Florenza's rhumba band which specializes in South American rhythms.

The ballroom will be decorated with original designs for civilian defense, army and navy posters drawn by leading artists. Among those expected to contribute are Gropper, Rockwell Kent, Jamison, Reinhardt, Soriano, Lozowick, Gottlieb.

There had been St. Swineth's school and Harvard, a sequence planned for a Beacon Hill youngster long before he was born, but the break of war service in France unsettled that a bit and Pulham thought he wanted something more than the banker's chair and the mansion his father would vacate. Well, he has his try at New York and the new advertising game and even a girl different from his New Englanders but it's no go. And when he looks back at it twenty odd years later, it's not with the regret of a man who's torn by what he may have missed on the other path. Tradition and habit may be dull and deadening but they're easy to follow.

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Vidor's direction is solid and imaginative.

In spite of that, King Vidor is a handy enough man with a camera and music and all the tricks a veteran can know to keep you watching Pulham's little ups and downs. He uses the device of having Pulham's voice comment on the soundtrack on action taking place in his own far gone past. He has Pulham soliloquize quite directly when he's alone on the screen, or has him murmur his silent thoughts aloud even with other characters present.

He does many other good things with sound, as in that scene where Pulham reads silently at a business conference a moving personal letter from his girl with her voice heard in the soundtrack playing against the matter-of-fact voices of the men talking about stocks and bonds.

In the part of Pulham Robert Young does far better than he ever has before. It was a difficult job, for this Bostonian is essentially priggish and undramatic. Yet Young captures that quality and adds to it a human warmth that carries fine conviction. Hedy Lamarr overcomes the handicaps of previous typings as a glamor girl and a Viennese accent to make the mid-western girl fairly acceptable.

Charles Halton and Douglas Wood have a field day with their satire on ad agency big-shots and as Pulham's father Charles Coburn adds another solid success to his rapidly growing list of film credits.

Way back in American history when we were still the colonies and not yet a nation Peter Zenger, a newspaper editor, spoke up bravely for the freedom of the press. Now Columbia Pictures has started production on "Mightier Than the Sword," the story of that early 18th century fight for greater democracy, and Glenn Ford has been cast for the major role.

Walt Disney has leased a part of his studios to the Treasury Department and the Office of Inter-American Affairs and along with it goes half his own time and his entire staff. The cartoonists will be available not only for Pan-American films but for art work or films required by any other government department.

Disney made a lot of trouble for labor this past year and though a settlement was reached with the Screen Cartoonists Guild, only recently closed down a large part of his studio and laid off about half his staff. "Variety" reports that he welcomes the new Government work as an opportunity to rehire many of these workers. The Disney workers' technique could be invaluable for simplifying instructional problems both for the armed forces and civilian defense, and there's ample room for it too in the larger problems of morale and democratic education.

Next week all Government departments and agencies using films will meet to plan coordination of their work in the Victory Program. Lowell Mellett, director of the Office of Government Reports, will preside in his new added capacity as Coordinator of Government Films for the duration of the war.

It will be his job to eliminate overlapping in functions and to achieve an integrated official policy on films. An equally important task facing Mellett is to induce Hollywood to make better use of its enormous facilities in promoting the war effort.

Two agencies already at work for the Government in the broad film field are the Inter-American Ai-

Tarzan Goes Down Before B. Fitzgerald

TARZAN'S SECRET TREASURE. Screen drama by Connolly and Gangelin. Based on characters created by Edgar Rice Burroughs. Directed by Richard Thorpe. A MGM film at the Capitol.

By David Platt

Tarzan Johnnie Weissmuller, the superstar of the Afro-Hollywood jungle, swims like a salmon and catches them with his bare hands and when danger lurks yodels like a yapping yu-yu in "Tarzan's Secret Treasure," MGM's latest juvenile jungle adventure yarn which is based on the well-known comic strip.

The plot thickens when Tarzan's son Boy uses gold nuggets in his slingshot and arouses the malevolent side of two members of a scientific expedition (I think they're after a rare specimen of man-eating grass) but the villains get what's coming to them. After their bones and muscles have been softened up by a herd of elephants, they're swallowed whole by alligators.

Once again all the bad natives are ethnicals and all the good natives safari slaves. There are rarely any in-betweens in Hollywood jungle pictures.

Barry Fitzgerald's Ishmael is the real hero of "Tarzan's Secret Treasure." If I never see another Tarzan film I will always look back with reverence on that beautiful scene in which Barry Fitzgerald, recalling to himself the ancient legends of his people, tries to out-stare a charging lion before running for the nearest dock.

The Capitol is also showing "War Clouds on the Pacific," a two-reel film issued by the Canadian Ministry of Information dealing with the Japanese threat to North America. It is an excellent introduction to the war on the Pacific. Although made prior to the start of the back raid on Pearl Harbor, it gives, ironically enough, very logical reasons why the United States and Canada must erect proper defenses against Japan and the Axis and be ever on the alert for surprise attacks, and points to the nearness of Japanese bases in the Pacific to Alaska.

It is a shrewd and simple account by two members of a scientific expedition that hasn't the least bit dull in the telling. For that you have to thank Mr. Pulham's creator, J. P. Marquand, who put into his novel about this Back Bay bore all that he knew about the Boston Brahmins from having been brought up among them himself. And give thanks equally to the superbly skillful screenplay and direction by King Vidor.

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Bing Crosby, who was seventh last year and has been among the first 10 most years since the poll was established, dropped out of the select company this year.

Rooney has been a trouper and actor since he was two years old. Now he is 21 and about to marry Ava Gardner, a young film actress.

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Terry Told Him to Forget Baseball

But Frank McCormick, Who Leads League First Sackers in Fielding Figures, Didn't Take the Advice

Before Frank McCormick landed with the Cincinnati Reds for keeps in 1938, his chief claim to baseball fame lay in the classic brushoff he received from Bill Terry when he applied for a first baseman's job.

McCormick, who topped the National League's first base guardians for the three consecutive years last season, according to official fielding averages was only 19 years old then but had been working out at the Polo Grounds daily.

His daily stint stopped short when he received a letter from Terry who had just taken over John McGraw's job as manager of the Giants. It said in part, "if you have a good job, keep it and forget about baseball." But McCormick ignored Terry's advice so well that he was chosen the league's most valuable player in 1940 and last year turned in a percentage of .995 for 154 games.

He made 1,464 putouts and accepted 1,561 chances while committing only eight errors. He led in '40 with .995 and in '39 with .996. Johnny Mize of St. Louis finished second, one point lower.

It was a tough battle among the second basemen with Lonnie Frey of the Reds nosing out Burgess Whitehead of New York for top honors. Frey registered .969 in 145 games and Whitehead, .965 in 104 games.

Merrill May of Philadelphia won third-base honors, finishing at the top with an average of .972 in 140 contests. Jimmy Brown of St. Louis bagged second place with .965 in 123 games.

For the second consecutive year youthful Eddie Miller of Boston set the shortstop pace in 154 games with an average of .966. Billy Jurges, Giants, turned in a mark of .957 for 134 contests.

The aging but agile veteran, Johnny Cooney of Boston, who finished second in the batting race, topped the outfielders with an average of .966 for 111 games. Dom Dalleandro of Chicago and Terry Moore of St. Louis came next with .967 and .964 respectively.

Ray Barnes of Boston led the catchers with .962 to the .960 of Brooklyn's Mickey Owen. Twenty-eight pitchers fanned 1,000 with the .6th.

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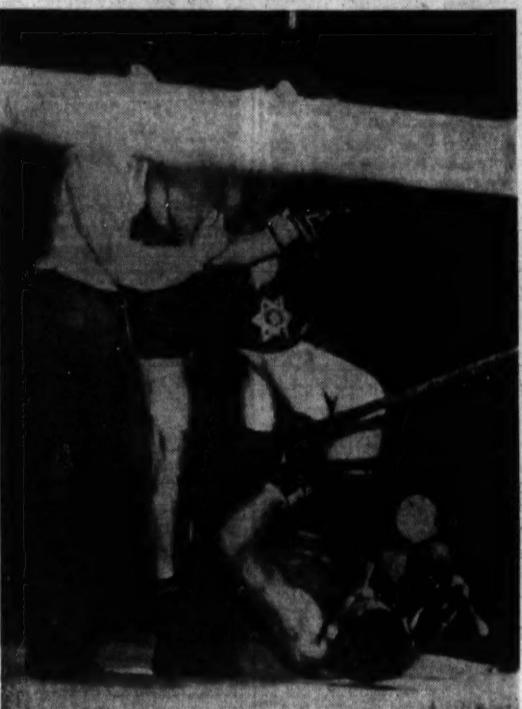
Louis, Baer Start Hard Training

It was back to serious work for champion Joe Louis and challenger Buddy Baer as the two heavyweight boxers began concentrating on their impending bout in Madison Square Garden, Jan. 9.

Louis went to work on a Christmas turkey at Greenwood Lake and fiddled around with 884 Christmas cards and a few friends after brief roadwork in the morning. His handlers said he would return to his regular training schedule today.

Baer, who is camped at Lakewood, N. J., reported his slight injuries received in a recent auto crash would not seriously interrupt his routine. He will not spar for a few days but will continue work on the bags and on the road.

A REMINDER...



Of just how tough a foe Joe Louis is taking on in Buddy Baer Jan. 9 for the Navy Relief Society. This is Joe as he landed on the ring apron outside the ropes, wrong side up, in the first round. He came back in coolly at the count of five and knocked Buddy out in the 6th.

On The Score Board

Touching On a Variety of Subjects

By Lester Rodney

Back to the typewriter after a short whirl with the little germs—and though it's a little late, a Merry Christmas to all and thanks to those whose greetings hit our desk while friend Scorer was holding the fort.

Tis a busy period right ahead in the world of sports here in New York. An invasion of the Garden by the best college basketball teams in the land begins tonight and will have run through eight games by Jan. 3. For those to whom the nation's most played sport is still just a lot of boys running around in fancy colored underwear, there's the world's greatest (positively) football team, the Chicago Bears, vs. the All Star cream of the National League crop at the Polo Grounds next Sunday. And the following week there'll be another chance to see the greatest heavyweight champion in history in action when Joe Louis meets Buddy Baer for the benefit of Navy Relief. (The Bear-Star game profits go to the same fund). In between the ear will be assailed via the air by a variety of Bowl Games, of which the most interesting will be Fordham vs. Missouri at New Orleans.

You pays your money or turns your dial and takes your choice. It's a super colossal extravaganza, needing only a winter revival of the Yankees vs. Dodgers to round it out. Joe Louis, the Chicago Bears, the Fordham football team and the CCNY basketball team. Bring on your heroes of the Roaring Twenties or Trotting Tens, oh you nostalgic ones...

Buster Miller, sports columnist of the New York "Age," a Negro weekly, forwards some interesting data on the always progressing fight to end discrimination in college sports. Acting as chairman of a "Committee for the Elimination of Racial Discrimination in College Athletics," Buster recently sent letters to some 40 schools from Coast to Coast asking their stand in the event of being asked to bench Negro players. The replies to date have been 100 per cent against discrimination.

This is keeping not only with the present spirit of national unity in a nation fighting Hitlerism, but with the whole trend of the past few years. A steady series of student victories over the old Jim Crow practice of benching Negro stars culminated last spring in Harvard's flat dictum to all opponents that if they did not feel they could compete against any Harvard player for any reason whatsoever, they could immediately get off Harvard's schedule. The immediate cause of Harvard's action was the student campaign against the benching of Lucien Alexis, a Negro lacrosse player, in a game with Annapolis. This campaign received its impetus and organization from the great "Bates Mass Play" campaign waged by 3,000 NYU students last year in protest against the benching of a Negro football player in the game with Missouri... a campaign that cut across the Mason-Dixon Line and gained support from students, not only in Missouri itself, but of ten Southern schools. And finally this fall a Negro star of Cornell played against Annapolis at Baltimore, ending an un-American tradition probably for all time.

Some of the answers that have come to Miller at the "Age"—Loren Hickerson, editor of the Daily Iowan:

"The athletic department would be expected to refuse the request of another school that a Negro member of one of its athletic teams be benched for any reason whatsoever."

Reverend Francis J. Friedel, S.M., Dean of the University of Dayton:

"The University of Dayton, a Catholic institution, accepts Negro students on the same terms as any other students. Our athletic administration would not schedule a game with any team that would object to our playing Negroes on the team."

Charles Hicks, director of athletics at Massachusetts State College:

"Through the years, several Negro students have been members of varsity teams and I have never detected any feeling of discrimination, either on the part of the player or his teammates. This is a New England State College where all men have been accepted, regardless of race or religion."

Emmanuel Friedman, co-editor of Sewanhaka, official undergraduate newspaper of Long Island University, writes:

"It is almost unanimous that in the event of prejudice against a Negro student, a Negro member of the Negro race in inter-collegiate athletics, the athletic contest in question should immediately be cancelled and all future relations with the school or university exercising that discrimination."

J. A. McLane, director of athletics at Alfred University, writes:

"Alfred University has at no time discriminated against Negro athletes competing in inter-collegiate sports. Our record speaks for itself."

G. D. Starnes, athletic director at Kent State University, writes: "Here at Kent State University we allow Negroes to participate in all sports, including swimming. We refuse to have any relations with any school that does not allow the participation of Negro athletes."

Dr. Irving Maure, president of Beloit College:

"This same non-discriminatory policy has always characterized the activities of our athletic teams upon which there have been a small number of great Negro athletes. I know of no development in the near future which would cause us to change this very satisfactory policy."

Dr. Louis G. Wright, president of Baldwin-Wallace College writes:

"We make no social distinction in college athletics at Baldwin-Wallace. There has usually been one Negro, and once or twice, on the football squad. They have to meet scholastic standards the same as the others."

D. H. E. Simmonds, president of the University of Akron, says:

"I am happy to reply to your inquiry of Nov. 18 in a very positive affirmative. The University has always given Negro athletes every opportunity to represent the institution in inter-collegiate sports."

Dr. Daniel L. Marsh, president of Boston University, writes:

"Boston University never discriminates against anybody because of race, color, or creed."

Dr. Stanley King, president of Amherst College, writes:

"I do know that since 1890, Negro athletes have participated regularly on our inter-collegiate teams whenever we had Negro athletes capable of making the teams... There has never been any discrimination against them either on the part of our coaches, their fellow-players, or the student body as a whole. They have played in all the games on our schedule unless prevented by injury."

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LIU, Fordham Picked Over Crack Invaders

Southern California, Rice Open Heavy Holiday Program at Garden Tonite—'Make or Break' Week for Promising LIU Quintet

The big holiday invasion of basketball teams from all over the land against the six New York quintets begins tonight in the Garden when LIU tackles Southern California and Fordham meets Rice of Texas. Doubleheaders Monday and Tuesday night will bring Wyoming, Oregon State, Colorado and Washington University into action against CCNY, Manhattan, St. Johns and NYU respectively.

For LIU, tonight's game with the kingpins of the Southern sector of the West Coast marks the beginning of a crucial week in the schedule, a week that will determine whether the young, comparatively inexperienced Brooklynites will blossom into another great ball club with championship possibilities, or find the going a little too heavy this trip. After tonight's game, which will be played first, the LIU boys will board a 10 o'clock train for New Orleans where they play Tennessee Tuesday night as part of the Sugar Bowl festivities. Then they return next Saturday night to meet the Creighton of Oklahoma team which recently routed Ohio State. There's a make-or-break schedule all right. When Clair Bee arranged it last year he was full of enthusiasm for his "Wonder Team" coming up from the freshmen. Now he's a little more skeptical, despite the fact that the Brooklynites have moved along unbeaten, tested only by Oregon.

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The starting ball club tonight will consist of Captain Hank Beenders and his brother bantam (6-6) Dick Holub, working around the backboards, and Saul Cohen and the Rader twins moving the ball. Beenders has developed into a great ball player, in the tradition of many other 'all, clumsy looking boys who smoothed out under the Clair Bee touch. Holub is likewise fast improving. Saul Cohen, one of the really deadly set shots of the Beider-Bromberg-Lobello type when he's hitting, has shown signs of coming around and the Rader twins, lone members of last year's unbeaten freshman outfit in the starting line-up, are beginning to blend their talents with the older hands in an encouraging way. If the team sails through this week unbeaten it's clear the tracks again for LIU. But the odds are against it.

Southern Cal. has a veteran quintet and a good one. As usual there's a star from Indiana on the team. The starting team averages 6-2, the same as LIU, though none are as tall as Beenders and Holub. It was a USC team that snapped LIU's 42 game winning streak back in 1939.

RAMS ARE LOADED

Fordham makes its first appearance in the Garden with its best team in at least a decade. The veteran crew has lost one game, a one-point heartbreaker at Dartmouth. Max Loeffler, Bob Croke, George Sherry and Dick Fitzgerald are some of the operatives who will be remembered from the team of last year which beat North Carolina and Kansas in the 49th St. Arenas. Budhopping sophomore, Tony Karowitch, rounds out a well manned ensemble.

Rice has won seven straight this year. Bob Kinney and Bill Kloss each go 6 foot 6 1/2 and the captain, Plácido Gomez, is a speedy, deft floorball. This game should be a terrific contest between very good offensive teams.

Our selections? We're going to stick to the locals to make it six in a row against the invaders. LIU AND FORDHAM. No money back guarantee. —L. R.

SOCCER

Teams of 8 Nationalities in Action This Week

Eight strong Nationality soccer teams representing the United States, Ireland, Italy, Scotland, Scandinavia, Spain, Germany and Jewish will play the first round of the International competition next Thursday (New Year's Day) with the winners meeting in the semi-final on Feb. 22 and the two survivors clashing in the final for the trophy and gold medals on Decoration Day. The pairings for the opening round given out by Jack Flammhaft, chairman of the games committee of the New York State Association, are: United States vs. Ireland at Steinway Oval, Astoria; Scotland vs. Scandinavia at Dana Park, Brooklyn; Spain vs. Germany at Woodward Oval, Ridgewood, and Italy vs. Jewish at Sterling Oval, the Bronx.

Two of the strongest teams are now carrying the colors of the New York Athletic Club, won 15 races at two and three miles from January through June and broke his own indoor two-mile mark with an 8:51.1 performance at Chicago. This time was also better than the unofficial world outdoor mark of 8:53.2 set by Finland's Taisto Maki.

Warmerdam, clearing 15 feet seven times in four meets, boosted his own record from 15 feet 1 1/4 inches